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REMARKS

Reconsideration of the above-referenced application is respectively requested in view of the above amendments and these remarks. Claims 1-27 are currently pending.

According to the Office Action, claims 1-27 remain rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by United States Patent No. 6,683,870 to Archer. Applicants respectfully traverse the rejection. In particular, Applicants' invention, as found in independent claims 1, 20 and 27 and the claims that depend on them, is directed to transmitting data through an IP core network to handsets, wired and wireless, that are *accessible within* that IP core network. A register is compiled by the handsets to determine which handsets are accessible within the IP core network. In other words, when the wireless handsets are physically located in the IP core network they are listed on the register. Thus, the wireless handsets are not a part of the register when they are outside the scope of the IP core network and are therefore not accessible on the IP core network. The wireless handsets are made a part of the network by the handsets themselves when they become available and accessible on the network. Accordingly, the handset registering on the IP core network also places it on the register. Human intervention is not required.

The Final Office Action states that "Archer discloses that when the primary user's device, wire or wireless, contacted [sic] is not available (no response was detected) then the system queries the available devices that pertain to the primary user's device until one of the registered device is successfully contracted. Therefore when the registered device is successfully contacted it becomes accessible." This rebuttal to Applicants' claim suggests that the claim terms mean that the handsets are merely accessible by the IP core network. It does not take into consideration all the terms found in independent claims 1, 20 and 27 and the dependent claims. In particular, the claim term is "accessible within the IP core network." This term states that the handsets must be accessible within the IP core network and are therefore within the location of the IP core network. It does not suggest or claim that the handsets are accessible wherever they are located. In addition, the response to Applicants' argument suggests that the claim means successful contact makes the handsets accessible. The claim term does not suggest that contacting the

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handsets makes them accessible. Rather the claim states that the handsets are accessible when they are within the IP core network and when they are within the core IP network they are a part of the register of handsets.

The Final Office Action goes on to say that Applicant's argument that the Archer's "handsets . . . access to a database to be registered and database is controlled by human and is not the dynamic type of register disclosed by the invention" can not be supported by the claims. Applicants respectfully disagree. While it is true that the word "dynamic" is not in the claims, the claims clearly state that the registered is compiled by the handsets when they become accessible on the network. Therefore, the handsets' operation when they become accessible on the network places the handset onto the register. As stated in the Specification, this is done when the IP core network received notification that the handset is accessible within the network. This is fundamentally different from the formation of the database used in Archer. Archer states that the database is compiled independently of the location of the handset and irrespective of whether the handset is accessible within the network. The Archer database is created by the subscriber logging onto the database and changing or adding the telephone numbers where he can be reached. See Column 7, lines 44-50.

In addition, Archer discloses how all of the telephone numbers that is on the database are simultaneously contacted in the find me operation. As stated, the Archer's database is created independently of whether the handset is accessible within the network or not accessible within the core network. Archer will still attempt to call the number even if a handset is outside the network and is not accessible. This situation is avoided by the present invention because only those handsets that are accessible within the IP core network are a part of the register and are called.

Archer is directed to a method and system that simultaneously transmits a call notification to a plurality of communication devices that can include telephones, both wired and wireless, pagers, computers and voice mail systems. Archer does not disclose or otherwise suggest that the handsets, whether they be wired or wireless, have access to the database to be registered. Thus, Applicants respectfully submit that Archer does not anticipate the present invention as claimed in amended independent claims 1, 20 and 27. As dependent claims 2-19 and 21-26 depend upon and include all the limitations of

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independent claims 1 and 20, Applicants respectfully submit that Archer does not anticipate the invention as claim in the dependent claims. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the rejection Section 102(e) be withdrawn.

As the Applicants have overcome all substantive rejections and objections given by the Examiner and have complied with all requests properly presented by the Examiner, the Applicants contend that this Amendment, with the above discussion, overcomes the Examiner's objections to and rejections of the pending claims. Therefore, the Applicants respectfully solicit allowance of the application. If the Examiner is of the opinion that any issues regarding the status of the claims remain after this response, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned representative to expedite resolution of the matter.

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Respectfully submitted,
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